

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 167

By Alexander

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Harlee Petretta on her receipt of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should specially recognize those estimable citizens who have dedicated their time and energies to helping others; and

WHEREAS, each year, 1.6 million Tennessee volunteers give over 137 million hours of community service, contributing \$3.3 billion to Tennessee's economy; and

WHEREAS, these volunteers are the backbone of our communities, and by donating their time and talents to fulfill needs that would otherwise go unmet, they embody the spirit of giving; and

WHEREAS, Harlee Petretta of Jonesborough is one such exemplary person, who is a recipient of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award in recognition of her laudable commitment to her community; and

WHEREAS, a 2020 graduate of David Crockett High School, Ms. Petretta served as a volunteer for a host of community service projects at her school and in the Washington County community, including Second Harvest Food Bank and John Reed Assisted Living Facility, where she provided hygiene products and food boxes for elderly citizens; she also initiated a food drive for the local food pantry and hosted an appreciation breakfast for the school bus drivers; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her service with food pantry initiatives, Harlee Petretta volunteered with the Jonesborough Area Merchants and Services Association and assisted with such activities as Jonesborough's Chocolate Fest and Scoop Fest; she also helped recruit and organize other teenage volunteers to assist merchants during downtown events; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Petretta is a model citizen; her commitment to helping others through volunteerism epitomizes the spirit of the Volunteer State, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor Harlee Petretta for her outstanding community leadership, congratulate her as an esteemed recipient of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award, and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.